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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Masato FUJIKAKE et al. Conf.: 8189
Appl. No.: 10/009,687 Group: 1713
Filed: December 13, 2001 Examiner: Marie Reddick
For: CARBOXYLATED POLYMER COMPOSITION

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 20, 2004

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 22, 2003, the period for response having been extended three (3) months to January 22, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

- a) amendments to the specification;
- b) amendments to the claims; and
- c) Remarks.



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Respectfully submitted,

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